conference," he said.

PROPERTY VALUED AT ONE MILLION of the finest forests in the State is men-AND A HALF BURNED,

And Forests Whose Value Cannot Be Estimated Destroyed or Scorched by the Flames.

MANY PERSONS ARE MISSING

HUNDREDS DRIVEN FROM HOMES AND WITHOUT FOOD.

Brief Summary of the Losses Caused by Forest Fires in Oregon, Washington and Montana.

CAMPERS AMONG THE VICTIMS

WERE ENJOYING AN OUTING WHEN OVERTAKEN BY THE FLAMES.

Charred Wagon and Horses Belonging to One Party Found in the Woods, but No Trace of the Men.

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 15.-Twenty lives have been lost and it is roughly estimated that \$1,500,000 worth of property has been destroyed during the past week by forest fires in Oregon and Washington. Many more people are missing, but it will not be known how many are dead until reports from remote districts come in. The estimate of the property loss does not include standing timber, but covers sawmills, houses, barns, shops, cordwood and farm implements. Thousands of acres of timber have been burned over, but the destruction of great timber has not been heavy. Relief is being hurried from this city, Tacoma, Seattle and Vancouver, Wash., to those who have lost their homes and crops. The districts where the greatest destruction occurred are Lents, Springwater and Bridal Veil, in Oregon, and Fifty Plain, Lewis River and Elma, Wash. In all the places it is estimated there are about 500 people without food and shelter.

The fires have nearly burned out and this morning the smoke cleared away so that the sun was visible most of the afternoon. This morning, however, the thicker in Portland than smoke was at any time this year. Between midnight and daylight it was impossible to see fifty | engineer, John Recckie, a Hungarian | tance of every hundred feet were hung feet away and the arc lights could hardly be distinguished from the nearest sidewalks. In the harbor the steamboats did not dare to stir, as the smoke was so dense that it was dangerous. In Multnomah and Clackamas counties the fires have practically burned out and the settlers are returning to their homes. Along both sides of the Columbia river fires are

still burning, though the worst is over. The situation in Cowlitz county, Washington, is deplorable. Twelve lives were lost along the Lewis river on Sunday and many miles of valuable timber laid waste. Communication is cut off with a section of the country around Mount St. Helens, and it is not unlikely that there has been loss of life there. A dispatch from Kalama, where great loss of life was reported Sat-"News from urday and yesterday, says: the fire on Lewis river yesterday confirms the report of Saturday night and adds to the losses. The fallen timber has blocked the only road leading up the river, so that the work of the rescuers is slow. A party of ten persons with a team was known to be camping in the timbers. The charred remains of the team and wagon were found, but no trace of the people can be found. A great number of people were in the timber at and around Trout lake fishing and hunting, but no authentic reports has been received from them, and It is feared there has been loss of life." Tacoma, Wash., reports that the smoke has cleared away and the sky is again visible. Fires have abated in all directions. Reports from Marion county, Washington, say the sky has cleared there, the fires have ceased and the men have gone back to work in the logging camps. The dam- | til a new air passage can be built to the age is less than had been apprehended. The latest report from the Lewis river forest fire shows that the fire is practically exhausted and that relief parties are enabled to cover the devastated territory and gather more definite information. It is positively known that sixteen persons have been burned to death, as follows: Al Reed and son and a party of seven others whose bodies are burned beyond recognition, W. E. Newhouse, Mrs. Graves, John Polly, wife and two children and a brother of Mrs. Polly. D. L. Wallace and family, who were reported among the dead, reached Trout

on the Upper Lewis river. Thirty-Eight Bodies Found.

lake and were saved. A large number of

campers at the lake saved themselves by

taking to the water on logs and rafts,

Forty families are left homeless and des-

titute. But two houses are left standing

KALAMA, Wash., Sept. 15.-Reports from the stricken districts of Lewis river continue to grow worse. The charred bodies of thirty-eight persons have already been found and it is believed there will be more to follow. Many settlers and an unknown number of campers from outside points are missing. The burned district was settled by perhaps five hundred per-

SIXTEEN DEATHS REPORTED.

Campers on Trout Lake Among Those Who Perished by Fire.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 15 .- Reports of loss of property from forest fires continue to come in on every hand, but no reliable estimate of the extent of the damage can be obtained. Mayor Eastman, of Vancouver, has issued a call for a mass meeting of citizens to-morrow to devise ways and means to succor the suffering inhabitants of the burned districts of Clark county. Fully one hundred families have been burned out in the vicinity of Elma, Wash,

The loss is estimated at \$200,000. The list of fatalities in Clark and Cowlitz countles as a result of the terrific forest fires, continues to increase rapidly. Sixteen deaths are reported, and people living in the vicinity of the burned district say the list of dead will aggregate fifty. The dead reported to-day are: C. A. McKeen, wife and three children, Oris Reed, wife and four children, Mrs. Schmidt and three children and one unknown person. The McKeen and Reed families were residents of this city and left here several weeks ago for Trout lake, near the head waters of lewis river, where they were camping when the fire overtook them. The charred bodies were found yesterday.

MONTANA WOODS ABLAZE.

Porests in the Flathead Reservation Are Burning.

BUTTE, Mont., Sept. 15 .- Forest fires are raging in the mountains near Barnica, and only a heavy rain will save an enormous

campers are supposed to have started the fires. North of Anaconda a fire is ravaging the timber districts with little prospect of abatement. Much timber already has been destroyed, and it is feared the loss will reach into the thousands. In the timber districts of northern Montana, according to advices from Kalispel, the fires are spreading with terrible rapidity, and the safety

A dispatch from Kalispel says: "Forest fires are raging on the north fork of the Flathead river, on the Flathead reserva-tion. Ranchers for two days have been fighting the flames, which are now beyond control. They have sent for help, and men will immediately go to the scene. The fire started in a windfall and spread rapidly over one of the best belts of timber in this section. The exact location is near a large bed of coal, and, gradually going east and south, threatens destruction to the timber in the vicinity of McDonald lake unless soon checked.

Guarding Forest Reserves. WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 .- The Interior

Department has telegraphed the superintendent of forest reserves in Washington to employ additional men to guard the forest reserves in that State against the forest fires now raging there. The superintendent is directed to make a full report on the situation, the only forest fire advice so far reaching here being unofficial. The department also has telegraphed for recommendations as to what steps should be taken by the government to assist in fighting the fires outside of government domain. The Interior Department has telegraphed authority for the expenditure of \$500 in fighting the fire on the South Platte forest reserve in Colorado. Although conflagrations are raging in various parts of that State, substantially little damage has been caused to the forest reserves there.

OUTLAW DRAGGED TO DEATH.

Rope Tied to His Neck and His Body Draw Over a Desert.

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Sept. 15 .-General Bruce, a notorious Indian outlaw, who several months ago murdered Victoria Maria, a young squaw, by choking her into insensibility and then burying her alive, was captured by the Indians in Southern Nevada a few days ago. A rope was fastened by slip nooses around his neck and with the other end tied to the horn of a saddle, the murderer was dragged for more than a mile across the rockstrewn desert. The body, which was horribly lacerated, was then thrown on a huge pile of wood and burned.

SEVENTEEN COAL DIGGERS KILLED IN A WEST VIRGINIA COLLIERY.

Victims of an Explosion of Gas and Giant Powder-Eleven Bodies Re-

covered Last Night.

Four mine of the Algoma Coal and Coke Company here this morning about 8 o'clock, as the result of which James Lester, an miner, and fifteen colored miners are known to be imprisoned in the mine. There is hardly one chance that the men will be rescued alive, as they are beyond the point | hill where the explosion occurred. The gas and smoke is so thick that all rescuing parties have been driven back. H. F. Frankenfield, a mine boss, and George Gaspie, a Hungarian miner, succeeded in crawling over the fallen coal and slate, after the explosion, to the lights of the rescuing party, and were taken out alive, although badly burned and nearly suffocated by the gas and smoke inhaled.

The explosion is said to have been caused by an accumulation of gas catching fire from the lamp of a miner who was going all descriptions filled with Long islanders, to work, and this in turn fired six kegs of blasting powder that had been stored back in the mines. The explosion knocked down all the brattices for a quarter of a mile back toward the mine entrance, thus cutting out all of the air from the men imprisoned behind the debris. There had been a small gas explosion in this mine on Saturday last and Mine Supt. A. J. Stuart had personally cautioned the men who worked in the mine not to at-

tempt to work again until the air had been tested by a safety lamp. A rescuing party, headed by Mine Inspector Cooper, attempted a rescue this morning, but were driven back by the want of air. The coal is burning and there is no hope of extinguishing the flames un-Superintendent Stuart has a large force of men at work and will make a second attempt to reach the imprisoned men.

11:30 p. m.-A telephone message was received from Algoma saying eleven bodies had been recovered from the mines and that six more bodies are to be taken out. So far all but one of those recovered are colored

SUICIDE OF NAVAL OFFICER.

Lieut, J. R. Morris Follows Chaplain Morrison, of the Olympia.

BOSTON, Sept. 15.-Lleut. John R. Morris, U. S. N., was found dead in his stateroom on the United States steamship Olympia by a fellow officer to-day. He had committed suicide by shooting with a revolver. The Olympia is anchored off the

Boston navy vard. Lieutenant Morris was the engineering officer of the Olympia and began his duty on that ship Jan. 25 last. No cause is known for his act. Capt. Henry W. Lyon. U. S. N., the commanding officer of the Olympia, is in Paris, Me., and in his absence the ship is in command of Lieutenant Commander C. H. Harlow, U. S. N. Lieut, John Ramsay Morris was apappointed to the Naval Academy from Missouri, and is the second officer of Olympia, Dewey's flagship, to commit suicide within five days. Chaplain Wm. Morrison, U. S. N., committed suicide shooting Thursday last at the Marine Hos-

pital. Chelsea, where he had been transferred a few days before. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 15 .- John R. Morris was one of the few survivors of the battleshin Maine Soon after the disaster he wrote to his sister in Kansas City, Kas., describing the explosion and his narrow escape from death. At the time his rank for the music.

was that of assistant engineer. DYING OF PNUEMONIA.

Drop in Temperature Causing Much Sickness Among Samoans.

TUTUILA, Samoa, Sept. 2, via San Francisco, Sept. 15.-The southeasterly trade winds have been blowing with exceptional velocity during the past few months and the climate has been much cooler than for many years past. The Samoans had made no provision for warmer clothing, and the cold has proved fatal in many cases. There has been a serious percentage of deaths from pneumonia. Dr. Spear, U. S. N., and his staff have been kept busy attending the natives. Over one thousand natives have been vaccinated by the doctor in Tutuila. In German Samoa vaccination has been made compulsory.

An order has been issued by Captain Sebree proclaiming the free right of every Samoan to adopt his own form of religious worship and belief and prohibiting any chief or missionary from punishing or mo- | Senator Hanna disclaimed all knowledge | rial, and that the structure shall be comamount of timber and cut wood. The lesting any native for exercising this right, of the President's purpose in calling the pletted by Jan. 1 1906.

HIS NASSAU COUNTY FRIENDS.

Received Between Six and Seven Thousand Persons and Was Not a Bit Tired at Nightfall.

PROUD DAY FOR OYSTER BAY

VILLAGE GAILY DECORATED IN HON-OR OF THE OCCASION.

All Classes of People Welcomed by President, Who Was Well Guarded Against Possible Harm.

SENATORS SUMMONED

WILL CONFER WITH THE CHIEF EX-

ECUTIVE THIS MORNING.

Senators Hanna, Allison, Aldrich, Spooner and O. H. Platt on the Way to Oyster Bay.

OYSTER BAY, Sept. 15.-President Roosevelt to-day received his friends and neighbors of Nassau county and between six and seven thousand people shook his hand. The reception was held at his country home on Sagamore Hill, and from 3 o'clock until nearly 6 he was busy shaking hands and renewing old acquaintances. He met people to-day whom he had not seen for thirty years and shook hands with men who had known him when he was a child. The President thoroughly enjoyed the affair and was as fresh when it was over as when he began. He expressed his feelings to a woman in the crowd who asked him if he was getting tired.

"Not a bit," he replied. "It takes more than a trolley car to knock me out or a

crowd to tire me." The weather could not have been more delightful. The decorators did ntheir work thoroughly and when the sun rose this morning it shone upon a village resplendent with color. Most all the buildings and NORTH FORK, W. Va., Sept. 15 .- A gas | many of the private houses were adorned and powder explosion occurred in the Big | with flags and bunting. The most effective decoration was along the road leading from the center of the town to the road that winds up Sagamore Hill. Here at a dislarge American flags, which formed a canopy of stars and stripes under which the people rode on their way to Sagamore

The event, which passed off so successfully, was in the hands of a general committee, of which Frank C. Travis was chairman. The crowds began to arrive early from points on Long Island and by noon the village streets were crowded. Delegations came in from many of the places near here and several special trains added their quota to the crowd. At 1 o'clock the members of the committees, headed by a band, started for Sagamore hill, and they were followed by vehicles of many of whom had come a considerable distance to greet the President.

against any possible harm were of the most thorough character. In addition Sheriff Johnson's three hundred special deputies, who had been sworn in for duty to-day, a large number of secret service men and policemen from New York in plain clothes were on the porch and about the grounds. No one was allowed to go past the President with a camera or stick of any description. Cameras, valises, canes, umbrellas, and, in many cases, overcoats and women's wraps were taken from

It was 2:45 o'clock when the reception passing him the visitors passed off the porch, along a road leading to the side of the house where lemonade was served and thence by another road out of the grounds. On the porch with the President were Mrs. Roosevelt. Mrs. William Roosevelt. Miss Christine Roosevelt, Miss Lorraine Roosevelt, Mrs. E. Reed Merritt, Frank E. Travis, Assistant Secretary Loeb, Father Powers and Rev. Henry Homer Washburn. All sorts of people in all conditions of life filed by the President. White and black, poor and well-to-do women with babies in their arms and several with dogs, small boys and little girls, all got a pleasant smile and shake of the hand. Many were in line who had known the President most of their life and their delight in renewing an old acquaintance was apparent, but none gave the President more pleasure than the greeting of two old family servants, Maggie and Bridget Mitchell, who had been servants in his father's family. They came from New York, where they live, to greet the President and to show him a photograph of his father and one of himself when he was four years The President was delighted to see the pictures and the old servants and presented the sisters to Mrs. Roosevelt. During the reception a number of bands. stationed on the lawn in front of the porch, discoursed music. "Garryowen," Will Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight" and "America" seemed to be the favorites, for they were repeated a number of times. The Hicksville battery, at the foot of the hill, also did its share to make the affair a success and fired a continuous salute. A pleasing incident occurred toward the close of the reception. The New York policemen wanted their picture taken

with the President. When the request was made of the President, he complied at once. This is one time I really want a picture taken," he said. "I know these men and I admire them. I am proud to have my picture taken with them." Before the reception closed the bands which came from Brooklyn and villages on Long island, filed past the President. He shook each by the hand and thanked him

SENATORS SUMMONED.

Five Republican Leaders to Confer with the President To-Day.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15 .- Much speculation was caused to-night by the presence in the city of five of the most influential members of the United States Senate, all here on their way to meet President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay to-morrow. The five are Senator Hanna of Ohio, Senator Allison, of Iowa, Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island, Senator Spooner of Wisconsin, and Senator Platt of Conecticut. The Senators decimed to discuss the probability of any particular question coming up at conference with the President to-morrow. In fact, they said they knew of no specific reason for the sending of the invitation to meet the chief executive at this time. Senator Allison said: "I am going to see the President at his invitation, but he did not mention that others were to be

Senators together. "I do not know what subjects will be discussed at to-morrow's Asked whether he thought the question of the coal strike would be one of the subjects taken up, he said that he could

see no reason why it should.
"Do you think there is a likelihood that the contentions of the striking coal miners PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT GREETED and the operators will be submitted to SEVENTH WILL PROFIT BY MR. "I see no chance of it," he answered "I am out of touch with the strike situation and have been for some time. At the present time I see no indication that the National Civic Federation may be called

upon to arbitrate." English Views of Roosevelt.

LONDON, Sept. 16 .- The Times and the Standard this morning both devote their principal editorial articles to lengthy reviews of President Roosevelt's chances for the presidential nomination in 1904. The Times says: "The popularity of the new President is sometimes greater and sometimes less, but what is certain is HE HAS SECURED ORATORS OF NOTE that all along Mr. Roosevelt has produced a deep and enduring impression on the public mind. Eve. now the people of the United States do not appear to have quite made up their minds about him, but no doubt is entertained in any quarter that he is the man, the strong Secretary Leslie M. Shaw and Senator man, the determined man and the man with clear views of his own and the courage to assert them regardless of the power of party wire-pullers and other influences. President Rosevelt, whether in the right or the wrong in the controversies which have arisen during the past year has never hesitated, he has declared his policy and placed it frankly before the country." The Standard's comments on this subject are somewhat similar to those made by the

RUMOR DENIED.

Great Britain Has Not Occupied the

Malay Principality of Kalantan. PARIS, Sept. 15.-A dispatch received here from Saigon, French Cochin China, says: "Three hundred British troops have occupied the Malay principality of Kalantan at the request of its Sultan. Kalantan pays a tribute to Siam, so this is an ag gression. There is great excitement at Kalantan, for it is feared it means the extension of the British protectorate over the whole Malay peninsula LONDON, Sept. 15.-Government officials here declare there is no truth in the dispatch from Saigon, published in Paris, saying that a British force has occupied the

Malay principality of Kalantan.

Chinese Boxers Killed. LONDON, Sept. 16 .- A dispatch to th Standard from Shanghai says a force of armed Boxers entered Cheng-Tu-Fu, capital of Szechur province, Sept. 15. Some of them were killed or captured in the streets of the city and the shops there are closed. | the time and is not now in a condition to The military authorities are patrolling Cheng-Tu-Fu, and the situation there is re-

ported to be serious.

Britain to Hold a Railway. TIEN-TSIN, Sept. 15.-Major General Creagh, the British commander, has returned here. It is now said that the British will not restore the Peking-Shanghai-Kwan section of the Peking-Newchwang road until Russia relinquishes possession of the Newchwang portion.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING AT STRIKE HEADQUARTERS TO-DAY.

Mitchell, Wilson, Gompers and Fal lows Will Discuss Relief for Miners and Other Matters.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Sept. 15 .- An important conference will be held at strike headquarters to-morrow. Among those who will take part will be President Mitchell, District Presidents Nichols, Duffy, Fahey and National Treasurer Wilson, of Indianapolis, and Samuel Gompers, president of be glad of his presence in the campaign The precaution to guard the President | the American Federation of Labor, Bishop Fallows, of the Reformed Episcopal Church, of Chicago, may also be present. It is stated the chief topic will be the relief plan. Mr. Gompers, it is stated, has some proposition to make which will insure steady relief for the striking miners all winter, should they decide to continue the

battle. Sheriff Jacobs and a large number of deputies assembled at the courthouse at an early hour this morning in anticipation of trouble occurring at some of the mines. their owners and piled up under a tree near | But outside of an outbreak at Old Forge, in which an Italian was badly beaten by began. President Roosevelt stood on his strikers, the day was a very quiet one in porch and shook hands with all. After the strike region. John Fallon went to Nanticoke early in the morning to head off any trouble in that section and other prom inent officials of the United Mines Workers went to other parts of the country to advise against any marches on the collieries. But no marches were attempted, neither was there any effort made to resume work at any of the big mines. It is said that the attempt may be made when | Congressman Babcock, chairman least expected, probably some day this

Secretary Wilson at Wilkesbarre. Secretary Wilson, of the United Mine Workers, has gone to Wilkesbarre, Pa., to confer with President Mitchell. He left in a hurry after receiving word from Mr. Mitchell, without informing any one of the nature of his visit. It is believed that matters relative to a settlement of the an- his district that Mr. Overstreet is in this thracite strike are to be considered. The visit to Wilkesbarre is the first Secretary Wilson has made since the anthracite strike began, and it is no doubt one of importance.

Panther Creek Valley Operations. TAMAQUA, Pa., Sept. 15 .- This morning the Greenwood colliery, situated at the western end of the Panther creek valley. resumed operations. It is impossible to learn exactly how many men are at work. as the place is heavily guarded and thte operators, the Dodal Brothers, will give out no definite statement. They say, however, that they expect to wash out about 300 tons | than it has ever been before." of coal a day. To-day the Lehigh Coal and Navigation

Company claims gains in the Panther creek valley. An official of this company said that it was expected the daily output from the No. 4 and No. 12 collieries would now be increased from 1,400 to 1,800 tons : day. The leaders of the mine workers ridicule the claims of the company. They say there are no more men at work to-day than there were last week.

Widener and Morgan. NEW YORK, Sept. 15 .- P. A. B. Widener. of Philadelphia, was in conference this afternoon with J. P. Morgan. Mr. Morgan was asked this afternoon whether there was anything new in the strike situation. "Nothing," he answered. "Does any significance attach to your conference with Dr. Widener?" he was

"None, whatever," he said. Mr. Widener said: "There has been no onference on the strike situation to-day between Mr. Morgan and myself and have no statement to make. State Capitol Contract Awarded.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 15 .- The State contract for the new capitol, for which an appropriation of \$4,000,000 was made by the last Legislature, to George F. Payne & Co., of Philadelphia. The contract provides that the building shall be made of granite and

OVERSTREET'S POSITION.

As Real Head of Congressional Committee He Will Be Able to Obtain Advantages in Legislation.

REPRESENTATIVE A BUSY MAN

FOR INDIANA.

Spooner May Make Speeches in This City.

GETS OFF CONSTABLES' TICKET IN

State Committee Meets To-Morrow and Conference of Candidates Thursday -County Committee's Work.

Representative Overstreet, of the Seventh congressional district, is at work in New York, at the personal request of President Roosevelt. Some time before the adjournment of Congress the President had a conference with Representative Babcock, who is chairman of the Republican national congressional campaign committee, and Representative Overstreet, who is secretary of the committeee. The conference was in regard to the work of the committee this fall, the President recognizing the importance of this committee's duties. Chairman Babcock was not in rugged health at accomplish the work he would like to accomplish. At the time of this conference it was suggested that Representative Overstreet accept the chairmanship of this committee, but he declined. It was arranged, however, that he should go to New York as the secretary of the committee, and in the event of Mr. Babcock's continued illhealth, would undertake to perform the

"The talk about Representative Overstreet doing the 'English lord act' or 'running' his district from New York as 'Boss' Croker runs New York from London. indicates the poverty of the Democratic managers for campaign material," said one of Mr. Overstreet's friends yesterday. "Mr. Overstreet's friends," he continued, "would here now and would be pleased to have him here until the election, but they understand the situation. He is secretary of the national congressional committee and is in New York by reason of his connection with this committee. He is not in that position from any personal choice or desire. It is well known that he made every effort to be relieved from the work this campaign, and entered upon it only upon the earnest and presistent request from members of the House and those closely connected with the administration. The work of the committee is by no means easy work, and Mr. Overstreet's special talent and equipment for it enables him to render a patriotic service to the party by assisting it in continuing in control of the House of Representatives. Mr. Overstreet was first elected secretary of the national congressional committee in 1898; he was re-elected again in 1900. His experience in those campaigns makes his service very valuable in this campaign. national congressional committee, who was in ill health at the time of the reorganization of the committee, would not consent to serve in that capacity again, unless Mr. Overstreet should consent to serve as the committee's secretary. Because of Mr. Babcock's ill health the great burden of the campaign falls upon Mr. Overstreet's shoulders. It is a distinct advantage to

he enjoys by reason of his connection with this committee, bringing him as it does, into close and intimate relations with men who really control legislation. "Mr. Overstreet will return to his district about Oct. 15 and will remain until the close of the campaign. His district was never in better condition at this stage of the campaign than it is at present, and

FRANK L. GLASS IS OUT.

County Committee's Work.

Republican committee, yesterday received a letter from Frank L. Glass resigning his place on the Republican ticket as a candidate for constable in Center township. Glass was one of the five constabulary nominees selected at the primaries last March. When James McNulty withdrew from the ticket as a candidate for justice of the peace in order to make the other nominations legal it became necessary for some one to withdraw from the list of candidates for constable. Like Mr. McNulty, Mr. Glass withdraws from the ticket in the interests of harmony. He received the smallest number of votes of any of the five candidates and in his letter of resignation he declares "that it is useless to put the committee and others to great expense to settle a doubtful question." He says fur-Capitol Commission to-day awarded the ther: "I deem it best that I withdraw and thus avoid the possibility of further dissension and entanglements."

"This," said Chairman Elliott, "is the that the dome shall be of the same mate-

township ticket to go ahead with the campaign. This matter has been an annoying one, but Republicans have understood that it was unavoidable. There is nothing now to prevent us going in and making a winning fight. It might be said that the campaign is really opened now. The sixty-day poll is practically complete, and, as was predicted some time ago, the poll shows up satisfactorily. Within a few weeks we expect to begin an active speaking campaign in Indianapolis, and, in fact, all over the county. Many of the older orators of the party in this city have offered their services and there is much young blood to be

to get a big crowd. It is the intention to

make a feature of noon meetings this cam-

paign. Two years ago we found that this

at the noon meetings. By the middle of

October we hope to have these meetings in

progress in shops and in factories. The committee has assurance from Representa-

tive Overstreet that he will be in his dis-

trict in good time to take an active part

in the work. He will make at least two

or three speeches in each of the city wards,

and he will also make speeches in the out-

side townships. The Republicans have a

good story to tell, and party orators are

The rooms of the Republican county com-

mittee in the Lemcke building present a

scene of bustling activity. The rooms are on the second floor of the building and six

commodious apartments are in use. Secre-

tary Negley has a room of his own, the

chairman has his private room and an

office for consultation with committeemen,

and other roms are devoted to the use of

the speakers' bureau and to the storage of

different kinds of campaign literature. The

issues from the congressional campaign

committee and is sending it out over the county. Thomas C. Whallon, a competent

young lawyer of wide acquaintance, is in charge of the speakers' bureau. The click-

ing keys of typewriters may be heard in

headquarters all day long, and the rapidity

with which they click is an indication that

Chairman Elliott is keeping his force of

stenographers and typewriters hard at

Yesterday afternoon the chairman had

his campaign committee, consisting of about forty members, together for the first

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MICHIGAN LINES TO BE CONSOLI-

DATED WITH HUGE CAPITAL.

All but Two of the Lower Peninsula

Systems to Be Included-World's

Fair Intermural Railway.

DETROIT, Sept. 15 .- The Tribune to-mor-

row will say: "According to those who are

in a position to know, the biggest electric

is now under way. It means the unification

of all the electric lines in the lower penin-

plan is carried out, will be accomplished by

a new company with a capital stock of

"Last week Harry G. Conant and W. W.

Churchill, of New York, representing the

Westinghouse interests, and George C.

or two others, with J. D. Hawks, president,

and Wallace Franklin, secretary, of the

Grand Rapids, Grand Haven & Muskegon

electric line, were in conference from Tues-

day till Saturday at Muskegon with a rep-

resentative of one of the most prominent

banking houses in the East, which recently

"A new company was planned, with the

capital specified, to take over the Grand

Rapids city lines, the Grand Rapids, Grand

Haven & Muskegon, possibly the Holland &

Lake Michigan line, the line from Battle

Creek to Kalamazoo, the Lansing street-

railway system, the Lansing-St. Johns line

the connection between Jackson and Lan-

Arbor & Jackson Company is about ready

to start construction, the interurban road

between Saginaw and Bay City, and the

city lines of Saginaw and Bay City, and

the Detroit, Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor & Jack-

son. The plan also contemplates the build-

ing of a line to connect both Lansing and

Grand Rapids with the Saginaw & Bay City

United Railway stock is taken to indicate

that this line also possibly may be in-

Weston to Design the Road.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 15 .- Charles V. Weston,

of Chicago, has been commissioned by Di-

rector of Works Isaac S. Taylor to design

M'CARRON'S TESTIMONY.

Hoped to Get a New Trial.

DETROIT, Sept. 15 .- William A. McCar-

ron, on whose affidavit against Juror Bock

it is principally hoped to secure a new

trial for Frank C. Andrews, the convicted

vice president of the wrecked City Savings

Bank of this city, and whose secret arrest

a week ago on the charge of being a de-

mouth, Va., in charge of Sheriff Dickson,

This afternoon he took the stand in the

Recorder's Court and testified to the con-

versations he had with Juror Bock, in

which McCarron alleged in his affidavit

Bock expressed opinions against Andrews

of such a nature as to make him unfit to

sit as a juror in the case. McCarron testi-

fied that in conversation with him on July

4. Bock said that Andrews should be sent

to prison for robbing the poor people of

their money and that if he had a chance

he would help to send him there. On July

when Judge Murphy suddenly discharged

all the regular jury panel drawn for the

Andrews trial, McCarron testified he took

a paper containing the news to Bock and the latter said. "Now I will get on the

JOSEPH SCHMITZ HELD.

Lolterer Who Is Alleged to Have

Threatened the President.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 15 .- The police are

holding Joseph Schmitz, aged forty, on a

charge of loitering until they can investi-

gate a statement that he has threatened

the life of President Roosevelt. Schmitz

was arrested on Saturday on the complaint

of two elderly sisters living on Oliver street

sisted on staying there. The story is that

he made the threat against the President

to persons on Everett street, and the police

are now searching for these persons, as

well as making efforts to learn the past

history of the prisoner. Pending the inves-

MOTHER SEES HER BABY.

It Was Born While She Was Blind-

Sight Restored After Seven Years.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15 .- After being blind

seven years, Mrs. Julia Morowski, of

Trenton, N. J., has had, says the Times, a

momentary glimpse of her husband and six

children when the bandages were lifted

from her eyes. An operation was performed

two weeks ago, and when the bandages

her youngest child, born after she became

tigation the police are reticent as to their

that he had entered the premises and in-

jury and will fix Andrews."

serter from the navy created a local sen-

sation, arrived here to-day from Ports-

the eight miles of intermural railway which | where everything was found to be ready

cluded in the combination.

systems. The recent jump in Detroit

sing, on which the Detroit, Ypsilanti, Ann

disposed of large street-railway holdings in

New Orleans at a very large profit.

from \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000.

going to tell it with new eloquence."

was a very successful way of campaigning

in the city. This year it is felt that there will be an active interest in all that is to be said, and this will make it possible for campaign orators to have good attendance

WITHDRAWS HIS NAME

committee is receiveing a considerable quantity of literature on different national INTERESTS OF HARMONY.

latter's duties. It is this work that is now detaining Mr. Overstreet in New York. All the while, however, he has an eye on Indiana and his district. He has been able to secure some good orators for speeches early in October. Leslie M. Shaw, secretary of the treasury, is one. At Mr. Overstreet's suggestion, Senator Spooner, of Wisconsin, will come to Indiana to assist in the campaign, and it is probable that two members of the House from other States will be here-possibly Representative Littlefield and one other House member of prominence. It is suggested that they will likely address laboring men at a meeting to be held in Haughville.

position. There are advantages that come to the district by way of special legislation on account of the peculiar relation which

his majority in November will be larger

Withdraws from Constables' Ticket-Chairman Elliott, of the Marion county

end of a very vexatious question. It may be necessary to take further steps in refer- were removed, for the first time, she saw ence to the legal side of this question, but

ready with a full and excellent county and

SECRETARY DOWNING FEELS GRAT-IFIED AT THE OUTLOOK.

He Thinks Visitors Will Be Surprised had this year. The committee feels that it is only necessary to announce a meeting at the Magnitude of This Year's

Exposition.

THE GRAND OPENING TO-DAY

AN EFFORT MADE TO GET ALL THE EXHIBITS IN PLACE.

As Usual, the First Day Was Given Up to Work and the Workers Were Not Bothered.

QUIET DAY AT HORSE BARNS

OLD SOLDIERS AND SCHOOL CHIL-DREN ADMITTED FREE TO-DAY.

This Is the First Day of the Races and the Programme Is Very Satisfactory.

"The conditions for a successful State fair never looked brighter, the air feels good and it will surely be warmer. Just look at that sun! Isn't it great? The people who come to the opening of the jubilee fair to-morrow will be surprised at the magnitude of this year's exposition. Why it is a regular world's fair only on a slightly smaller scale." These were the enthusiastic remarks of Charles Downing, secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, as he stood at the door of the administration building at the fair grounds yesterday and looked at everything with satisfaction, from the weather conditions to the enormous outlay of exhibits that could be seen

in every direction. Yesterday was announced as the formal opening of the fair, but in reality the grand opening will be held to-day. Efforts were made on Monday to get all of the exhibits railway deal ever undertaken in Michigan in place, but this could not be done, so numerous were the things to be displayed to the thousands of sightseers this week. sula except the Detroit United Railway Men were at work bright and early yesterand the Black and Mulkey line from To- day morning hoping to arrange everything ledo to Detroit. This unification, if the by 1 o'clock, but a few things were not in place when darkness fell. There was not much of a crowd on the grounds yesterday and the exhibitors were not molested in their work. There was little work to be done at the barns, but in the art hall and other buildings there was a lively scene,

but everything was placed in order before Smith, vice president of the Fidelity Title and Trust Company of Pittsburg, and one EVERYBODY IN A HURRY. The fair grounds was no place for the sightseer yesterday, as everyone went about in a hurry. Even the man in the booth, where all sorts of alleged good things to eat are for sale, gave his lungs a rest and only a few cries of "Hot! hot! hot!" and "This way for all you can drink for a nickel" cold be heard. Instead of the customary cries along restaurant row and side-show street the echoes of hammers were heard. The peanut vender was the only one who forced his "wares" on the public, and he cried his song with as much vim as ever. One or two restaurant and refreshment men began training early in the morning for the big rush expected

> during the week. They impressed upon the people who were in earshot that their lemonade was made out of real lemons. Many curious people investigated the preparations for the sideshows, but only a few were open where one with a dime could obtain a look upon the mysteries of seven ages and the wonders of all the continents. From the sideshows the people who desired to have an early chance to see the exhibits wandered to the horticultural, agricultural, fine arts and poultry buildings,

will be constructed on the world's fair site for the fair to-day. At the horse barns the day was a rather quiet one. There were some lively workouts during the morning, but in the afternoon the horses were walked around the Witness on Whose Evidence Andrews grounds, while the trainers and drivers sat about speculating on the races which begin to-day and indulging in "hoss talk." The helpers about the cattle barns led the fine Shorthorns, Herefords and other fine breeds of cattle around the ground and al-

lowed them to graze on the grass. All old soldiers, school children under fifteen years of age and teachers of pupils will be admitted free to the grounds to-day. Beginning at 9 o'clock an examination will be made of heavy horses, dairy cattle, Berkshire hogs and Poland China hogs. fine-wool sheep and poultry. There will be a band concert in the grand stand at 1 o'clock, and the first day's races will be given in the afternoon.

. TO-DAY'S ENTRIES. The entries for to-day's events follow:

-2:30 Class-Trotting, Purse \$500,-Hattie Smith, b. m., A. L. Darnaby, Lexington, Ky. Webber, b. m., Bennett & Hughes, Clark. Henry K., b. g., John Rabham, Louisville, Ky. Donna H., s. m., Walter Kemp, Anderson, Director Bell, blk. st, Whitely Stable, Muncie, Ind. Orphan, b. g., J. N. Dickerson, Indian-Baron Patch, b. g., Bruce Graham, Rushville, Ind. Lee Crawford, b., g., Liza, br. m., W. B. Kerby, Springfield, Ill. Alfred Starr, David Cahill, Lexington, Mildred S., r. m., J. W. Igo, Pana, Ill.

Cleve, b. g., D. M. McNaw, Louisville, Ky. John Thomas, g. h., M. H. Reardon, Indianapolis, Ind. McAdams, c. h., C. F. Emery, Cleveland, LaFrance, blk. m., W. H. McCarthy, Terre Haute, Ind. Anna Mace, g. m. W. H. McCarthy, Terre Haute, Ind Edgewood Bell, bik. m., W. H. McCarthy, Terre Haute, Ind High Trust, D. Edward F. Jones, Indianapolis, Ind. Jessie M., b. m., J. H. Eastman, Terre Haute, Ind.

Raff, b. g., W. F. Haffenberger, Seymour,

-2:08 Class-Pacing, Purse \$900. Carnot, blk. s. Mira, b. m., A. B. Smith, Danville, Ind. Byrl Wilkes, br. g., A. Stockton, Morgan-Gamboy, b. s., Float Jolly, Tipton, Ind. New Richmond, g. s., William Gerst, Nashville, Tenn. Chestnut, s. g., L. H. Brown, Danville, Balmy L., br. m., Whiteley Stable, Mun-The Hero, A. A. Neal, Charleston, III. Wervolo, b. s., Lincoln Stock Farm, Palatine. Ill. George Castle, b. g., Keystone Stock Farm, Benson, Neb.